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SC UTH CAROLINA NEWS ITEMS

of Interest Gleaned From All Sections of the State and Arranged For Busy Readers

MORE TROUBLE AMEAD.

The Seminole Receivers Enter Suit Against the Southern Life for Mr. Ellerbe's Request Meets With \$325,000.

Alleging that the transaction was Compan Southern Life Insurance Company and its agents in the transaction had knowled ge of fraud and participated and be efited by it, conspiring and colludin of the and do damage to the irreparable hurt and injury of the Seminele Securities Company, F. G. Thompkins ers as receivers of the Seminole ampany have instituted suit in the aited States Court here asking the the whole transaction between t e Seminole Company and the Souther Life Insurance Company be annulle and the Seminole Company ed the \$325,000 paid to the Southe n Life by the Seminole officers

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Killed by Accident.

parleston, Special.-Mr. D. B.

Uniform Weight Corn. bia. Special.-At the meet-

Richland delegation Tuessentatives from the upper he county asked that a law requiring a uniform weight At present, it is stated, the e measures do not agree ed to change this for nder consideration.

e Men Instantly Killed.

Special.-Three men antly killed when Seaboard freight trains Nos. 20 and ed headon six miles north early Wednesday morning. ead: Engineer Clyde Moore, L. H. Nickles and a colored

they met on a long tres-Wednesday morning and ives and ten cars were

lature Acts.

Special .-- The intatives Thursday lebate a resolution Carolina's represress to do everyr te prevent the m. renomi-Collector

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FOR SOUTH CAROLINA WATER-

All of the projects for surveys of conceived any consummated in fraud rivers and harbors in South Carolina asked for by the various memand interests of the stock- bers and advocated in the committee in the Seminole- Securities by Representative Ellerbe have pasand that the officers of the sed the rivers and harbors committee. The bill as made up Tuesday contains be items for survey mentioned a few days ago and one important one besides an authorization of a survey of an inland water route from Beaug with the officers and agents fort, N. C., on down to Georgetown Seminole Sccurities Company, through the Waccamaw river. Ves-

sels which would come down the coast by the inland water route from Boston as far as Georgetown would be able to take to the ocean again after having passed the dangerous Hatteras coast. The South Carolina end of the general project has been particularly championed by Mr. Ellerbe. There is a provision in the bill also for Mingo creek and for the Cooper river, Charleston. In a former dispatch Cooper should have been mentioned instead of "Coosaw" for which there is no appropriation.

Charged With Killing His Wife. Union, - Special.-The celebrated case of W. T. Jones, charged with the murder of his wife, Mrs. Marion

Jones, has been begun. Shortly after 10 o'clock the calling of witnesses in the Jones case began, and at 10:40 Jones, in the custhat if any school with a tody of Deputy Sheriff J. G. Long, of 20 weeks or less could Jr., and accompanied by his son, gh its friends, patrons or trus- Harry Jones, was brought into court. raise an amount equal to one He appeared to be quite at ease and salary paid the teacher, a in the best of health and at intervals le his counsel were conferring. he daily-Dapers.

yount of the large array of s, but few spectators have allowed in court, as the judge had given orders that the aisles must rom the regular school funds be kept cleared, which order was me the session longer than well enforced by Sheriff J. G. Long. At about 11:20 the calling of the witnesses for the defense was concluded by Mr. V. E. DePass, who is private subscription or now associated with the counsel for Ayer, C. A. Smith, W. D. Bryan, xation to extend the term the defense, which as at present is th, said school shall receive Mr. James Munro, Townsend & Townto extend the term for send and Col. George Johnstone of Sonal month: Provided, Newberry. Five minutes later counchool shall receive more sel for both sides held a joint conider the provisions of sultation. In a few minutes the ing: State counsel came out and then 2. No application shall be Jones had a conference with his at-

tions of the deceased woman. It was shortly after 1 o'clock when cated; and no funds all Col. Geo. Johnstone made the motion to quash the indictment because it education until the amount did not specify the kind of poison ne sais school district shall administered or the nature of the deposited with the coun- bruises alleged to have been on Mrs. of such county to the Jones' person. This motion, which aid school in the said was perhaps the feature of the morn-Provided, That no ing session, and the preliminary all receive more than \$80 skirmish in this great legal battle, was overruled by Judge Memminger. Dr. Jeter was the principal witness. be necessary, is hereby He testified that Mrs. Jones came by fed for the purpose of this her death from strychnine poison.

Locating Post Office. Darlington, Special.-Mai. Fred Brackett, superintendent of the site Walterboro met his division of the treasury department, n Tuesday afternoon while hunt- spent Monday in Darlington looking birds. Alarmed at his failure at the proposed sites for the new appear for supper, his sons, J. B. post office building, which the town rifoy and D. B. Peurifoy, Jr., is to have, and gathering the necesin search of him and found sary information on which to base his at the steps of the target gallery recommendations. There are several the top of his head blown off. of these lots in different localities left barrel of his gun was empty, and private interests in and around wsed that he was resting them have been putting forth strenhoved the gun accidentally uous efforts in their favor, and await with interest the results.

> New Government of Aiken. Aiken, Special .- Tuesday the new poard of county commissioners took their office and the new county government went into effect. Instead of being governed by a supervisor and two commissioners at heretofore, the affairs of the county will be in charge be farmer. The dele- of a chief commissioner and four district commissioners.

> > Forest Fire Near Aiken.

Aiken, Special.-A forest fire of large extent has been raging north of Aiken. It is stated, several thousand acres of valuable timber lands have been burned over. The damage is not known, but will probably reach many thousand dollars. The fire originated on Saturday, when the wind was blowing a fierce gale, and soon got beyond all control. It is still burning, but not with such fury as Saturday and Sunday. The fire is said to have originated through the carelessness of some unknown hunters. Four small houses have been burned.

To Build New Church. Aiken, Special.-Rev. J. B. Derrick of Augusta, pastor in charge of the Lutheran congregation of Aiken, has appointed a finance committee and a building committee to erect at once a fine church building on the lot recently purchased for the purpose on Penon. The resolu- dleton street. The definite plans of nion of the the two committees have not yet been an unwise formed, but it is stated that a splendid church will be erected.

> A Killing at Walterboro. Walterboro, Special .- An unfortute shooting scrape occurred at Mr. dle's, about four miles from town.

in Brici. In a session of 21-2 hours Tuesday night the Senate voted down

Senator Carlisle's bank bill. There was a concurrent resolution, which was adopted, received from the house, asking that the United States congress be urged to pass laws in regard to the whiskey traffic in conformity with the State laws.

A bill has been introduced in the senate by Senator Sullivan, which has attracted attention from a number of paint dealers throughout the

It requires the careful labeling of paints showing the ingredients in their make up.

The following passed their third reading:

The following new bills were introduced:

Mr. Weston-A bill to provide for the payment of water used in the public institutions and buildings of the State located in Columbia; a bill to regulate the assessment of municipal license taxes of insurance companies; and a bill to amend an act relating to borrowing money by municipalities.

Mr. Weston-A bill to enable cities of 10,000 inhabitants or more to fix the rates and charges for the supply of water, gas and electricity, furnished by any firm, person or corporation to any such city and the inhabitants thereof.

Mr. Graydon's bill to fix the place of trial in all actions to recover the penalty fixed by statute for delay. loss or damage to freight by common carriers. Mr. Kelley-A bill to make it

misdemeanor to publish the name of any maid, woman or woman-chile upon whom a rape or an assault with intent to ravish has been committed. Mr. Wharton's bill to incorporate the Green by Female college Upon the assembling of the house

Mr. C. A. Smith presented resolutions of respect to the memory of Representative T. A. Clarke, of Florence, who died Monday night. The resolutions expressed the profound sorrow of the house and sympathy with the family and ordered the sergeant-at-arms to procure a suitable floral tribute and that a committee of five be sent to represent the house at the funeral. Messrs. Dingle and Bunch were appointed.

The Senate on Wednesday discussed the question of ballot for associate justice and passed the follow-

Senator Earle's bill as to pollution of water courses. Senator Montgomery's

amend the high school act. Senator Sullivan's bill to require public ginners and public warehouse companies to mark bales of cotton ginned or stored.

The following new bills were offer-Mr. Lide-To amend section 1933. code of laws, 1902, volume 1, relating

to incorporation of towns. Mr. Otts-To amend section 268. volume 1, code of laws, 1902, relating to returning property for taxa-

Mr. Carl'sle-A bill relating to

telephone charges. Mr. Bass-To repeal an act-entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled, 'An act for the further protection of partridges and quail,' approved 21st day of February, A. D. 1906, by changing the time and including Mongolian pheasants and wild turkey, approved 21st day of

February, 1963. Mr. Bass-To regulate the statistics of leaf tobacco sold upon the floors of leaf tobacco warehouses of South Carolina.

Mr. Graydon-A joint resolution proposing to amend section 22, article 5, of the constitution of the State of South Carolina, relating to jury trials. The House passed the following on

their third reading: Mr. Richards-To repeal section 3059, volume 1, code of laws of South Carolina, 1902, relating to the lien

Mr. Wheatley-To authorize the appointment of a commission to erect a causeway over the swamp on Coosawhatchie river and build a bridge

over said river. Mr. McColl-To authorize the town of Clio to issue bonds in aid of the North Carolina and South Carolina

railroad. Many bills of local nature were passed upon. The House held a night session at which the following actions were taken:

Mr. K. P. Smith's bill, abolishing the department of agriculture, commerce and immigration, and Mr Richards' bill, amending the act creating the department, were made

special orders. Without debate, Mr. Ayer's bill requiring county treasurers to deposit funds in chartered banks, passed to third reading.

Mr. Harmon of Newberry had the bill introduced by his brother, Mr. Harmon of Richland, last year, forbidding the manufacture and sale of other than safety matches in South Carolina. The bill went to third reading, after some little debate, and an amendment providing that the

law should go into effect in October. Mr. Mann's bill, making it a misdemeanor for any baggage or express agent to wilfully damage or break open any baggage or express. went to third reading.

The House also passed without de bate Mr. Brice's bill providing for the following additional changes in the banking laws. "Every bank or banking institu-

tion receiving deposits shall at all chave on hand as a reequal to 15 leposits and deposits.

THE S. C. LEGISLATURE shall be the duty of the State bank | fight was Saturday fired in the State examiner to enforce this and the preceding section."

Doings of Palmetto Lawmakers Told Mr. Brice also had passed his bill limiting the time for recording mortgages to 20 days. The act would go nto effect in May.

Mr. Cosgrove's bill, authorizing the insurance commissioner to appoint fire department officials to investigate fires, also passed to third

Mr. Dixon's bill, naming the agents or collectors of fraternal societies as agents, in order to fix their responsibility, passed. Some Sunday lunch laws then oc-

cupied the time of the House, and

finally went to third reading, being ar follows: Section 1. That from and after the approval of this act no municipal corporation in this State shall have the right to pass any ordinance prohibiting hotel and restaurant keepers or other persons from serving meals or lunches to passengers on trains within the limits of such municipal corporation on Sunday, and all

The Senate on Thursday took seven ballots for associate justice without effect. Among the new bills are the following:

such ordinances heretofore passed

are hereby declared illegal and

Mr. Croft-Relating to compensation allowed Confederate veterans for property furnished to the Con-

federacy without pay.
Mr. Christensen-To further- pro vide for winding up the affairs of the State dispensary and for the sale of the real estate heretofore used in conducting the dispensary. Mr. Carlisle-To repeal sections 325

to 331, inclusive, of civil code velume 1, 1902, relating to tax on in-Mr. Otts-To submit State probibition and county dispensary to the

qualified electors of the State at a special election. Mr. Griffin-Providing for the sale of infirmary for Confederate veterans and disposition of proceeds of said

The House killed the Rucker bill, which would prohibit any towns passing an ordinance against the sale of lunches on Sunday.

Killed the bill reducing the legal rate of interest to 6 per cent. Killed the bill for a commission to inquire into the advisability of the State going into the phosphate

business. The new bills offered embraced hose of Mr. Bowman-To amend section 1935, code of laws of South Carolina, 1902, volume 1, by adding a provision for forfeiture of charter

Mr. Tobias-To amend an act to incorporate certain religious and charitable societies.

Mr. Wade-To amend an act to declare the law in reference to and to regulate the manufacture, sale, use, consumption of alcoholic liquors, so far as the same may relate to

Aiken county. Mr. Dick-To amend section 1228, volume 1, code, 1902, by forbidding nepotism in employment profes-sors or other employes te institutions of learning.

Mr. McMahan-To amend section 192 of the criminal code of 1902, relating to the breaking and entering of railroad cars.

Mr. McMahan-To amend section 1989 of volume 1, code of laws, relating to borrowing money by municipalities.

Mr. Dixon-Conferring right of action against telegraph companies doing business in this State for injuries to person and property and for mental anguish. Mr. Foster-To fix the liability of

common carriers by railroads. Mr. Aver-To require all ren notes, agreements and rent receipts to be recorded in office of register mesne conveyance.

The Senate on Friday passed the bill of Senator Otts as to costs in cases in the original jurisdiction of the supreme court, with an amendment.

Considered again Senator Appelt's measure to provide for the appointment of a commissioner to sell the stock of goods of Clarendon county dispensary. Placed again upon the salendar

Sentor Croft's resolution as to associate justices. Among the new bills of importance

Mr. Mauldin-To restrict the use of taxes, collectd by municipal officers to the purpose for which levied and prescribed.

Mr. Christensen-To provide certain conditions to be imposed upon insurance companies of like character for the privilege of entering and doing business in this State.

Mr. Bass-Submitting the repeal of

those two certain acts, approved December 24, 1891, and December 22 1892, respectively, and known as acts Nos. 988 and 272 and found in volume 20 at page 1488 and 21 at page 360. respectively. Mr. Mauldin-To require electric

street railway companies to affix inclosed vestibules to their cars. Mr. Mauldin-To require a producttion of State registration certificates and tax receipts to register for city

Mr. Otts-Concerning notaries public who are stockholders, directors, officers or employes of banks or other corporations.

or town elections.

Mr. Earle-Relating to actions for the recovery of personal property. Mr. Malker-To empower the comptroller general of the State to make of St. Ignatius Loyola Church, as the certain abatements in assessed value of certain rice lands in the county of

Georgetown. New bills of general interest in the House were Mr. Bodie-Relating to ponding

water in any stream in this S Sothran—Authorizing te treasurer

scuate. Upon Senator Appelt's bill to impose a license of \$5,000 upon liquor drummers the discussion assumed wide proportions, reaching out

to the other prohibition questions before the legislature this year. With barely a quorum present Senator Clifton of Sumter held the floor for nearly two hours, speaking first upon the question of the bill and then upon the question to indefinitely postpone. Senator Kelley had succeeded in

having his bill to repeal the lien law which has passed the house, made a special order for Wednesday after third reading bills. Senator Graydon had had his bill to regulate the charges for carrying passengers on railroads in this State made a special order for Thursday. Senator Lide had brought about the same result for his measure on State-wide prohibition or was about to do so when there arose a storm of protest against making any bill a special order. The great fight on this question arose on Senator Otts' bill to prohibit the manufacture, sale, etc., of whiskeys, etc., known as the prohibition bill. It had been made a special order after a motion to table this motion had been lost. but after some more discussion Senator Hardi, s motion to discharge all special orders prevailed and these bills are now at their regular places upon the calendar.

The casus belli was Senator Ap-\$5,000 in each county of the State for the conducting of the business of soliciting whiskey orders.

Senator Appelt explained the provisions of his bill. Under the present law whiskey drummers can come in and solicite orders and are not licensed. However, they can not sell the whiskey in this State nor can they deliver the goods here. Among the bills introduced were

these of general interest: Mr. Walker-To amend section 2383 and 2384, code of laws, with reference to renunciation of dower.

Mr. Weston-To amend section 948. code of laws of South Carolina, volume 1, relating to the probate of deeds, beyond the limits of this tSate. In the House the following were among the bills introduced Saturday:

Mr. Ridgell-Po pay to Wm. F.

Bowe \$171.85 for services rendered in connection with the State house liti-Mr. Way-To amend an act entitled ence to and to regulate the manufacture, sale, and use of alcholic liquors

and boverages." Mr. Nicholson-To amend sections 2383 and 2384, code of laws of South Carolina, 1902, volume 1, with refer- jured that she will die. Mrs. Tom ence to renunciation of dower and the record thereof.

The House put upon third reading numerous bills of the uncontested class and cleared the calendar of much of its burden. The following are a few of general interest:

Senator Johnson-Allowing beneficiary student of the Citadel to be relieved of the obligation to teach in certain cases.

Mr. Carey-Allowing for testimony of female witnesses in assault eases. Senator Wharton - Incorporating the Thornwell orphanage board. Mr. McMahan-Fixing the charge for transcribing testimony by the

stenegrapher of this circuit. Mr. Lawson-Amending the act for the protection of quail. Senator Wharton- Incorporating he Greenville Female College.

Small Part of Canal Put in Use. Panama, By Cable.-The Pacific Mail Steamship Company's steamer Newport used on Tuesday for the first time the Pacific entrance to the canal which has been dredged to a depth of 35 feet. President-elect Taft was not present when the Newport started on the trip and there was no ceremony of any kind.

FEMININE NEWS NOTES.

Nearly 20,000 women are employed in Prussia as brickmakers. eleven-hour day is the rule. Miss Anne Morgan, daughter

the financier, started a crusade against unsanitary cigar factories. Sarah Bernhardt was mentioned as one of those who might play the leading role in Rostand's "Le Chanticler. The clubwomen of Massachusetts

are fighting against the movement to lower the milk standard in that State Calcutta, because of the high rate of infant mortality, has appointed a female sanitary inspector at \$50

Mrs. William Gould Brokaw, married a little more than a year, sued for a separation, alleging cruelty and

Mrs. Russell Sage and other women of large means have pledged \$60,-000 to the cause of woman suffrage in the United States. Mrs. Russell Sage slipped and fell

Fifth avenue, New York City, receiv-

ing a slight fracture of the left wrist To Bertha Schultz, a young dress maker in Hamburg, Germany, \$10.-000 was bequeathed on condition that she never marries a man engaged in an intellectual occupation. Miss C. de H. Benest is the first woman driver of a motor omnibus in

England. She was the only woman to take the examination for motor engineering recently held in London. Mrs. Harriet Q. Berg is the first woman to make an aeroplane ascension, and declares that the experience was a very pleasant one, she baving gone up with Wilbur Wright. She is an Englishwoman.

Women of fashion and women of the washtub, millionaires and street sweepers, paid homage to the memory of Father William O'Brien Pardow late pastor's body lay in state.

Granting the existence of that supposed planet beyond Neptune, its year, astronomers tell us, agues the New York World, would be equal to about a thousand of our years. What a noise the new planetarians must make when their new yes

Storms Reach from Texas to Kentucky.

SOUTHERN TOWNS AREHIT HARD

Severe Rain, Hail, Wind and Electrical Storms Sweep Over South Central States, Killing and Injuring Many and Destroying Property Valued at Hundreds of Thousands of Dollars.

Louisville, Ky., Special-Death for probably a score of persons, losses of hundreds of thousands of dollars in property and the crippling of many telegraph wires resulted between noon and dusk Friday from a series of small tornadoes which swept the south central States from the Tennessce line to the Texas Panhandle The storms were accompanied in most cases by hail, darkness, terriffic lightning flashes and sheets of rain. Most of the towns where loss of

that news from them has been coming slowly. Known casualties are: Stuttgart, Ark .- Mrs. Gerfield and pelt's bill to provide for a license of a child of Will Story. Mrs. Story is reported fatally injured. Sulphur Springs, Texas.-Mrs. James Ardis and Mrs. C. Caldwell,

life occurred are off the railroads, so

from Rolling Fork, Miss., just before the telephone wires broke word came that four had been killed. Booth, Miss., reported to Birmingham that six had met death there. In other towns such as Ennis and Waxahatchie, Tex., and Boscoe, La.,

many dwellings are said to have been demolished by the wind. Arkansas and upper Louisiana rice fields were injured to the extent of many thousands of dollars, while the larger cities experienced rains and darkness and lightning bolts that made large buildings quiver.

At Chattanoogá there was a terrific storm of hail. Reports from Birmingham state that several persons were killed by a tornado at Cullman, Ala. Friday

The home of George Stewart, seven miles east of Hanesville, Ala., was 'An act to declare the law in refer- totally destroyed. His 2-days-old child was blown half mile and killed. His 2-year-old child was blown into a grate and probably fatally burned. Mrs. Stewart was caught under some rafters in the house and so badly in-Bowner and a child who were in the house were fatally hurt.

Night Firing Tests at Fort Caswell

Satisfactory. Washington, Special.-In made at Fort Caswell, N. C., February 1st and 2d of the new system of fire control for rapid-fire guns, the coast artillery corps made an average of 50 per cent of hits in night firing at a moving target at range from 1,700 to 2,000 yards. The projectiles were provided with lighted tracers, and the target, which was 10 feet by 24 feet was illuminated by scarchlights. The test was conducted by a 3-inch gun battery and was very

satisfactory.

Seven Dead in Alabama. Birmingham. Ala., Special.-Mayor George H. Brier, of Cullum, Ala., wires that seven people are known to have been killed in that county Friday afternoon by the cyclone which passed over this section of the State but that wire communication is impossible with the stricken locality. At Kayosa, a mining camp west of Birmingham on the Southern Railway, five houses were blown down but only on man was injured, a Mr. Logan

ritory to has

Woman Brutally Murdered. Winston-Salem, Special.-Charles Ferrell, a negro about 34 years old, brutally murdered his wife, Chrissic, Friday afternoon as she sat in her come on Highland avenue. He fired four shots from a revolver, killing her instantly. An eye-witness says Ferrell began firing after his wife told him she was afraid to live with him longer, she having left him after a fight Christmas week.

Haskell Memorial Home Burnod: Three Missing.

Battle Creek, Mich., Special.-The Haskell Memorial Home was destroyed by fire Friday morning. Three of the thirty-seven members of the erphanage are missing. Seven little girls jumped from a third story window, but it is not thought any of them are fotally hurt. James Armstrong, 12 years old, standing on a shed under the window from which the girls had to jump, directed them how to make their fall as easy as possible and caught two of the smaller girls in his arms.

Dies Protesting Innocence. Spartanburg, S. C., Special.-Will

Foster, colored, who was twice convicted on the charge of muredering John Young, a well-known white man of the country, in November, 1907, was hanged in the county jail Friday morning. Foster went to his death declaring his innocence. After the black cap had been adjusted he was asked if he desired to make any statement, and he replied that all he had to say was that he was innocent.

General Items Condensed.

The very latest says a man has been dug out of the ruins of Messina conscious and with chances of life after being shut up there 3S days. The town of Yehama (says a Chi-

cago dispatch of the 4th) is 15 feet

THE LARGEST WARSHIP

The Battleship Deleware Launched at . Newport News Saturday-Description of the Great Sea-Fighter.

Newport News, Va., Special .-- The great battleship Deleware was successfully launched from the yards of her builders, the Newport News Shipbunding and Dry Dock Company Saturday. The lauching was witnessed by 5,000 people.

Compared with the battleships, completed or under construction, of the navy of any foreign country, Delaware surpasses all. She is one of four sister ships authorized by Congress which will form an indomitable squadren. The other vessels are the North Dekota, being built at Quincy, Mass.; the Florida, which will be built at the New York navy less one foot at yard, and the Utah, to be built at Camden, N. J.

The Delaware is to carry as heavy armor and as powerful armament as any known vessel of its class; will have a speed of 21 knots, which is known system of believed to be the highest practicable for a vessel of this type and class, can and will have the highest practicable radius of action. The arrangements of her main battery guns is such as to permit a broadside fire 25 per cent greater than that of the broadside of any battleship now built, or, so far is is known, under construction. Her defensive qualities, other than those dependent upon armor protection, are Tenn., ar such as to give the maximum degree of protection to all the vital portions by means of unusually effective compartmental sub-division, so that in conjunction with her armor protection the defensive qualities of this vessel are believed to be distinctly superior to those of any battleship herete designed. The hull is protected by a water line belt of armor 8 feet in width, whose maximum thickness is 11 inches. This armor belt gives effective protection to the boilers, machinery and magazine spaces. The side above the main armor belt is proteg ed by armor 7 feet 3 inches wid of a maximum thic ness of 10 me Above the main casement armor amidships the side is protected by armor of 5 inches thickness, which effords protection to the smoke pipes, the major portion of the secondary batteries of of 5-inch guns and the hull

Mr. Taft Leaves Colon.

structura.

Colon. By Cable.-President-elect William H. Taft and party left here at 6 o'clock Sunday evening on board the cruiser North Carolina for New Orleans acompanied by the cruiser Montana. Just previous to embark-

"I am not prepared to make a statement as to the results of the crip to the istlimus, except to say that we have found the work progressing in a most satisfactory way; the organization better than ever before, the esprit de corps excellent and the determination of all, even the humblest laborer, directed to the building of impressed itself upon every one of t board of visiting engineers as it has

ng Mr. Taft gave out the following

upon me. "With reference to the type of the canal and the continuence of the present plans, the engineers promice that they will be able to hand see their report by the time we less at New Orleans."

Razor For Suicide. Asheville, N. C., Special-Telling wife that he was going downstairs to shave, James M. Hyatt a prominent business man of this place. Sunday morning shortly after 8 o'clock picked up his razor and other shaving material, went down stairs, locking the doors and slashed his throat with the Tooseen after the act was razor, w . Hyatt. No es liscov

for the rash act.

General News in Brief. Charlottesville, Va., suffered from disastrious fire on Friday, the 4th. The loss is estimated at \$250,000. Subpoenas have been issued by Judge Landis for a new trial of the Standard O'l Co. Judge Landis before imposed a fine of \$29.240,000 on the company which succeeded in get-

ting a new trial. It is proposed at this late day to gather the ashes of Major Pierre Charles L' Enfant, the French engineer, and bury them at Arlington and to have a suitable monument in recognition of his services to Gen. Washington in planning the Capital City.

Bryan Denies the Story.

Jacksonville, Fla., Special.-William Jennings Bryan reached Jacksonville at 7 o'clock Sunday morning from Deland and emphatically denies the story sent out regarding the alleged automobile accident near Tarpon Springs, in which it was said that he was badly injured and under treatment in a Tampa hotel.

The Rico Supply Estimated.

Houston, Tex., Special.-A. E Groves, secretary of the Texas-Louisiana Farmers' Association, has given out an estimate of the rice now held by farmers and by mills. According to his figures there are 800,000 sacks of clean and rough rice in Louisiana and 917,000 in Texas, of which latter 510,000 is rough. Mr. Groves estimates that 2 2000 sacks will be needed for send, hering a total aavilable

Macon Has \$40 000 Fire.

supply of 1.417,520 sacks.

Macon, Ga., Special.-Fire originating in a cottage on Wilder street in south Macon, Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, driven by a stiff wind rapidly spread to adjourning dwellings, recomplete destruction

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GLEANINGS

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